



## **Court, Field and Gymnasia Facilities Minimum Requirements**

Several days a week during the school year, School Sport Canterbury as a PCBU (Person Conducting Business or Undertaking) organises a range of sporting codes for its partner schools. These may be on-going weekly competitions or a one or two- day tournament or event.

Generally these will involve students from the partner schools to School Sport Canterbury, accompanied by their coaches, managers, volunteers, helpers and often their school's Head of Sport. Matches are officiated by either appointed graded officials (higher grades) or volunteer officials, coaches, students or others. These competitions and events are normally held at any combination of an individual school, local authority (CCC) or community club venue or a commercial provider.

School Sport Canterbury then shares roles and associated responsibilities with schools and those other bodies that provide their facilities and any other entity engaged in the delivery of the competition/event, who by definition are also PCBU's. This then results in multiple PCBU's with possibly overlapping responsibilities and expectations.

As a matter of ensuring the well-being (safety) of the participants, School Sport Canterbury requires the various venue providers for activities that it organises and manages, to take all reasonable steps to ensure the environment that they provide for any School Sport Canterbury competition or event is safe, 'fit for purpose' and conforms to the needs of any individual code. (as prescribed in any individual School Sport Canterbury code regulation, its policies, or in that absence, the official requirements of that code as prescribed by the NSO (National Sports Organisation)

Accordingly, to enable School Sport Canterbury to confidently schedule matches, events or tournaments at partner schools, local authority or independently managed community venues, it requires an annual surety that its partner PCBU's have taken all reasonable steps to ensure that the facilities it provides, meet the minimum sport specific guidelines prescribed over, and that any equipment used to provide for a particular sport (e.g. Goalposts) and playing surfaces are from time to time checked to ensure that they are safe for play.

This accepted, we acknowledge that there will be incidents and interventions that may not be planned for. School Sport Canterbury expects that in such instance, a common- sense approach and response will be adopted by those best positioned at the time to lead.

If a school, local authority or other independently managed facility cannot provide that surety, then for its own protection, School Sport Canterbury will not be positioned to schedule matches, events or tournaments at that venue.

### **Minimum Requirements – Schools**

These sport specific guidelines are what School Sport Canterbury considers to be their minimum requirements.

## **SCHOOL AND OTHER VENUE FACILITY REQUIREMENTS**

An appointee of the school being present and responsible for the general oversight and accessibility to the facility being used including:

Minimum standards as listed below being presented

- Availability of clean changing rooms and toilets
- Emergency vehicle access to any facility being used,
- Access to appropriate cleaning/spillage materials
- Access to basic 1<sup>st</sup> Aid equipment (also a condition of participant teams)

### **Badminton**

- A clean court with all appropriate Badminton line markings
- Secure posts and an appropriate Badminton net

### **Basketball**

- A clean court free of obstructions with all appropriate Basketball line markings
- Secure and level goal rings with fixed nets on both
- A functional electronic scoreboard
- An appropriate set up score bench
- Appropriate courtside seating for both teams' substitute players

### **Football**

- Appropriately mown playing field with all required Football markings
- Minimally 4 corner flags, plus if available, 2 on half way
- Secure and appropriately sized goals with goal nets

### **Netball**

- A clean court free of any obstructions and with all necessary court markings
- Secure posts and level goal rings with nets attached.
- Goal Post padding recommended

### **Tennis**

- A clean court free of any obstructions and with all the necessary court markings
- A secure, adjustable and tensionable net

### **Volleyball**

- A clean court with appropriate Volleyball line markings
- A secure, adjustable and tensionable net with aerials and umpires stand
- Appropriate courtside seating for both teams' substitute players
- Designated scorers' table and chair plus score display.

### **Indoor Football**

- A clean court with appropriate line markings
- Clearly defined and appropriately sized goals